

# Dr. Pollock

## Promoted

### At St. Mary's

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE — Dr. Rafael A. Pollock 34, has been named academic vice president, the newly-created top academic position of the college.

His appointment, announced by Brother T. Michael, F.S.C., president, marks the first time a non-member of the Order of Christian Brothers has held the highest academic rank at St. Mary's. He will assume his new duties next week.

Dr. Pollock is a scholar in middle English poetry and is currently working on a book on Chaucer.

"The still revolutionary appointment of a layman to a policy making academic position was made with two purposes in mind," Brother Michael said.

"First, it has become necessary for the president to delegate the responsibility for academic decisions. Secondly, the college, which has a lay-religious faculty ratio of two to one, recognizes the growing need for laymen to occupy such positions within the Church and her institutions."

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# **New Countywide Group To Combat Race Bias**

Citizens United, a new countywide organization in Contra Costa, has been organized to combat racial prejudice and its effects.

Dr. Rafael Pollock, dean of St. Mary's College, has been named to lead the group.

"Citizens United is a coalition of organizations and individuals in Contra Costa County joined to combat racial prejudice and such side effects as

poverty in our community and society," Dr. Pollock said.

"In particular we believe that the basic recommendations of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders should be heard and acted upon at every level of government."

Citizens United will hold its third meeting at 8 p.m. Aug. 6 in the Ygnacio Valley Presbyterian Church, 200 Minert Road, Concord.